

Memorandum

TO:

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM.

Councilmember Kansen Chu

SUBJECT:

NOTICE OF CALL FOR A

DATE:

February 21, 2008

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02/21/08

I've asked the City Clerk to put together a Notice of Call for a Special Meeting of the San Jose City Council to discuss the Vietnamese Retail Area issue on Wednesday, February 27, 2008 at 9AM.

Beginning on February 15, 2008, a member of the public began a hunger strike in protest of the City's decision on November 20, 2007 to name a retail area in District 7. Many supporters of this individual are in their 60's, others in their 70's, and some even nearing 80 years of age. But for a special meeting, they could potentially remain outside of City Hall for another 11 days, exposing themselves to harm and liability. I am not alone in my concerns about their health and well-being. Tensions in our community have escalated in the last three months. I respectfully request my colleagues to take action by convening a special meeting to bring finality to this issue.

A signature of the majority of the Council is required for a Special Meeting. Please contact my office should you want to sign the Notice of Call.

Cc:

Debra Figone, City Manager

Lee Price, City Clerk

Rick Doyle, City Attorney

Harry Mavrogenes, Director, Redevelopment Agency